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For: TUFTED BACKING AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SAME

Enclosed are:

- 1. **6** sheets of specification, **3** sheets of claims, and **1** sheet of abstract.
- o sheets of drawings.
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